

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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February 10, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

RADAR SPEED ENFORCEMENT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5 3 VOTES

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize the Acting Director of Public Works to coordinate with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) to implement radar speed enforcement on 106th Street East between Avenue S and Avenue T in the unincorporated County area of Littlerock.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

A resident of the Littlerock area concerned about public safety regarding the speed at which motorists are traveling has requested the use of radar speed enforcement on this route.

Our investigation has verified that motorists on this route are traveling at excessive speeds. High-speed surveillance and pursuit exposes the offender, law enforcement personnel, and the general public to increased accident potential. The use of radar will significantly reduce accident potential.

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### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since radar enforcement significantly reduces speeding and accident potential caused by high-speed surveillance and pursuit and, therefore, will improve the quality of life in the County.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Not applicable.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On March 31, 1987, your Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the CHP for the expanded use of radar enforcement within the unincorporated County area. The Memorandum of Understanding was revised and approved as an agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the CHP by your Board on October 5, 1993. A key provision of the agreement requires the use of radar on any additional routes be subject to mutual approval by the County of Los Angeles and the CHP. The proposed recommendation for the use of radar on this route is in conformance with this provision of the 1993 agreement.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The establishment of radar enforcement, including the installation of related traffic control devices required to notify the motoring public, is categorically exempt under Class 1-(x)7 of the Environmental Guidelines approved by your Board.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Not applicable.

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### **CONCLUSION**

At such time as this recommendation may be approved, please return one copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE Acting Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office **County Counsel**